

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application and are allowed. The Notice of Allowability mailed September 24, 2004, requested that a substitute specification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(a) be provided "because numerous interlineations or cancellations made in the specification could lead to confusion and mistake during the issue and printing processes." (Notice of Allowability, p. 2). Accordingly, applicant herewith provides a substitute specification in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(a). This substitute specification, excluding the claims, is being provided before payment of the issue fee.

The substitute specification includes no new matter.

Applicant also provides a substitute abstract, on a separate page, as part of the substitute specification.

A clean copy of the substitute specification, without markings as to amended material, is attached as Exhibit A.

A marked-up version of the substitute specification showing all the changes (i.e., additions and deletions) to the specification of record is attached as Exhibit B.

The commissioner is authorized to charge or debit Deposit Account No. 13-2855 for any additional fees or refunds required.

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